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- (1) WO03/039492 A, May 15, 2003;
- (2) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2005/0002994 (GOPPEL et al.), January 6, 2005;

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- (3) EP 1 275 371 A1, January 15, 2003; Applicants note that this document is also cited in the German Search Report for German Patent Application 103 49 665.3 of which the above referenced application claims priority; this document is categorized in the German Search Report as X document, i.e., casting doubt on novelty or non-obviousness by itself. The following passages of this

document are indicated as relevant: Column 4, lines 30-43, Column 39, Paragraph 0244, Example 1, Phase 1-N;

(4) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2005/0048856 A1 (HAUSER et al.), March 3, 2005; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (3);

(5) WO 01/34213 A1, May 17, 2001; Applicants note that this document is also cited in the German Search Report for German Patent Application 103 49 665.3 of which the above referenced application claims priority; this document is categorized in the German Search Report as Y document, i.e., casting doubt on non-obviousness in combination with other documents; The following passages of this document are indicated as relevant: Page 5, lines 6-10, Examples 2 and 5, page 50, lines 11-12; and

(6) DE 102 00 731 A1, July 24, 2003; accompanied by an English language Abstract (provided by esp@cenet); this document is also cited and discussed in the present application, beginning at page 6, line 25.

Applicants further direct the Examiner's attention to the following additional documents cited in the German Search Report for German Patent Application 103 49 665.3 of which the above referenced application claims priority:

(7) DE 22 46 433 A, April 11, 1974; this document is categorized in the German Search Report as X document, i.e., casting doubt on novelty or non-obviousness by itself. The following passages of this document are indicated as relevant: page 12, lower section – page 13, top section;

(8) U.S. Patent No. 4,127,672 (KLIER et al.), November 28, 1978; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (7);

(9) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0039593 (TUCCI et al.), April 4, 2002; this

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(10) U.S. Patent No. 5,631,072 (SAMSON et al.), May 20, 1997; this document is categorized in the German Search Report as Y document, i.e., casting doubt on non-obviousness in combination with other documents. The following passage of this document is indicated as relevant: Column 2, lines 34-67;

(11) WO 98/18 891 A1, May 7, 1998; this document is categorized in the German Search Report as A document, i.e., as technological background. The following passage of this document is indicated as relevant: Claim 1;

(12) F. Marchio: "Insect repellent 3535. In: SOFW-Journal, 1996, Vol. 122, No.7, pp. 478-485; this document is categorized in the German Search Report as Y document, i.e., casting doubt on non-obviousness in combination with other documents. The following passage of this document is indicated as relevant: page 483, fourth study, right column, figure 11; and

(13) M.S. Fradin et al.: "Comparative Efficacy of Insect Repellents Against Mosquito Bites." N. Engl. J. Med., 2002, Vol. 347, No. 1, pp. 13-18; this document is categorized in the German Search Report as Y document, i.e., casting doubt on non-obviousness in combination with other documents. The following passage of this document is indicated as relevant: table 1, last three entries;

Furthermore, Applicants direct the Examiner's attention to the following documents which are cited and discussed in the present application:

(14) U.S. Patent No. 4,904,524 (YOH), February 27, 1990; this document is discussed in the present application beginning at page 7, line 3;

(15) WO 89/03639 A1, May 5, 1989; this document is discussed in the present application beginning at page 7, line 7;

(16) JP 7-003243 A, January 6, 1995; accompanied by an English language Abstract (provided by Patent Abstracts of Japan); this document is discussed in the present application beginning at page 7, line 10;

(17) JP 1-006199 A; October 1, 1989; accompanied by an English language Abstract (provided by Patent Abstracts of Japan); this document is discussed in the present application with reference to JP64-6199, beginning at page 7, line 13;

(18) JP 11-042726 A, February 16, 1999; accompanied by an English language Abstract (provided by Patent Abstracts of Japan); this document is discussed in the present application beginning at page 7, line 17;

(19) DE 28 31 275 A1, January 31, 1980; this document is discussed in the present application beginning at page 7, line 18; and

(20) WO 92/20690 A1, November 26, 1992; this document is discussed in the present application beginning at page 50, line 15;

(21) U.S. Patent No. 5,403,944 (FRATER et al.), April 4, 1995; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (20);

(22) P. Finkel et al.: "Repellents zur dermalen Anwendung". Apoth. Journal 7/86, pp.32-37; this document is discussed in the present application at page 3, 2nd paragraph.

Copies of the above-listed documents (with the exception of U.S. patents and published U.S. Patent Applications), the Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority (in English) for International Application PCT/EP2004/052635 and the German Search Report for German Patent

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Application 103 49 665.3 are enclosed together with a completed copy of the Form PTO-1449 listing these documents. A copy of the International Search Report for International Application PCT/EP2004/052635 was enclosed with the papers when entering the National Stage on April 24, 2006. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to consider these documents and to indicate such consideration by returning a signed and initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 with the next official communication.

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